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Re: Attorney Docket No. 1054.030

In re application of: Howard Tang, Satwant Singh, and Ann Wu

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Examiner: Vibol Tan
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For: Configuring FPGAs and the like Using One or More Serial Memory Devices

RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR 1.116

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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Dear Sir:

This Response is filed in response to the final office action of 10/17/05.

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Claims 1-6 and 8-42 are pending in the application. The Applicant hereby requests further examination and reconsideration of the application in view of these remarks.

In paragraph 2 of the final office action, the Examiner rejected claims 19, 32, 34-35, and 39-40 under 35 U.S.C. 102(e) as being anticipated by Smith. In paragraph 3, the Examiner indicated that claims 1-6, 8-18, 36-38, and 41-42 are directed to allowable subject matter. In paragraph 4, the Examiner objected to claims 20-31 and 33 as being dependent upon a rejected base claim, but indicated that those claims would be allowable if rewritten in independent form. For the following reasons, the Applicant submits that all of the pending claims are allowable over Smith.

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